

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:	)	
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Seiichiro YAMAMOTO et al.	)	Confirmation No.: 1577
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Application No.: 10/551,281	)	Group Art Unit: 1714
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Filed: July 17, 2006	)	Examiner: Coleman, Ryan L.
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FOR: A DISCHARGING MECHANISM AND A	)	
DISCHARGING METHOD OF SOLID	)	
MATTER	)	
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated March 18, 2011, the period for response to which extends through April 18, 2011, please consider the corrected listing of claims accompanying herewith. In accordance with the notice, only the corrected section, i.e., the listing of claims, is provided. Claim 1 has been corrected to include the proper status identifier.